

Veteran Endmen Return For Fourth Appearance With 1952 Adams Antics

When "Adams Antics" takes to the stage Friday and Saturday evenings, March 14 and 15, two veteran endmen will once more play their roles. Robert J. Gougeon and Lawrence E. Quinn, veterans, will have Dale Zimmerman, Bud Britzley, Robert B. Gilray and Hal P. Boerge assisting them in

the specialty department. Roland P. Reese is again director of the production, staged each year to raise money for school activities and equipment not provided through board of education allotments. The 35-man chorus, which is rehearsing twice weekly, will be accompanied by an orchestra made up of Fred Meyer, piano; Howard Johnson, guitar; Tom Lewis, trumpet; Garland Tait, saxophone; Leslie E. Shalberg, banjo and Howard G. Engard, bass.

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W. E. REID (left), AND H. H. PATERSON LOOK OVER MODEL OF PROPOSED 'ADAMS VILLAGE' Drawing at left is one of 12 plans to be used in constructing 133 units. (Joe Wheeler Photo)

Will Cost \$5,000,000 To Build 'Adams Village'

Development of the 45 acres of Troy township property, bounded by City of Birmingham streets Adams, Villa, Columbia and Holland, will cost more than \$5,000,000, according to the developers, Wallace E. Reid and Hamilton H. Paterson.

Wednesday night they explained their proposed project to the Birmingham plan board, and told how they arrived at the plan for placing 133 duplex homes, plus a large neighborhood shopping center, on this so-called "Porritt property."

Birmingham city commissioners listened to the proposal at a meeting Feb. 18, then without much comment referred the whole matter to the plan board for its study and recommendation.

As tentatively outlined by Paterson and Reid, "Adams Village," as it is to be called, would become a part of Birmingham, with the streets, sewers and water mains to be installed at the builder's expense as the area was developed.

neighborhood shopping center consisting of 30 to 40 small shops and business places. The depth of this street in depth so the dwellings will not be on a straight line.

The duplexes will have full basements and automatic heat, be of the two-story, five-room type including living, dining rooms and kitchen on the first floor, two bedrooms and the bath on the second floor.

Reid and Paterson, in a joint statement this week, said: "A GREAT DEAL of study and consideration was given the proper development of this area. Many factors entered into the determination of the proposed development of all duplexes."

"This type of development helps to conserve critical materials, which is an important item at the present time. This type of residential unit should create more favorable financing for the ultimate purchaser under the present governmental credit restrictions."

"It will enable the builders to maintain a higher standard of quality and refinement in the finished building."

"BECAUSE it will enable them to build brick veneer instead of frame buildings, it is believed that the entire area will be more substantial and attractive."

"It enables the buildings to be placed on the building sites with wider side yards, more light and more air. It produces a finished property more in keeping with the cost of land and the cost of its development."

A complete model of Adams Village showing streets, sidewalks, alleys, commercial buildings, parking areas, residential buildings, etc., was developed by Swanson Associates of Bloomfield Hills.

Working drawings for the design and colored perspective drawings were made by Beneicke & Lorenz architects.

DESIGNS IN GENERAL follow a colonial motif and stress variety of exterior material, form, color, texture, and other architectural detail.

The Federal Housing Administration Land Planning Section cooperated in planning the subdivision and street layout.

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THEY ESTIMATE this might take up to two years, depending on how fast the homes sold.

The Adams avenue frontage extends for 760 feet, along which it is proposed to construct a neighborhood shopping center consisting of 30 to 40 small shops and business places.

Immediately east of the commercial development, according to Reid and Paterson, will be an 18-foot planting of screening strip to separate the residential from the commercial area.

THE REMAINDER of the property to the eastern boundary (at Columbia avenue) would be subdivided into 132 building sites. Each site would be at least 60 feet wide at the building setback line.

The duplexes would be of brick veneer, with a minimum of 25 feet between buildings. Front yards would vary from 33 to 39 feet in depth so the dwellings will not be on a straight line.

The Board of Review shall, during the time it is in session, hear the complaints of all persons considering themselves aggrieved by assessments, and if it shall appear that any property has been wrongfully assessed, or omitted from the roll, the Board will correct the roll in such manner as it shall deem just.

ELMER W. HAACK, Assessor, City of Birmingham, Michigan

NOTICE

The assessment roll for the year 1952 for the City of Birmingham, will be completed March 5th.

In pursuance of Sec. 3 of Chapter IX of the Charter of the City of Birmingham, notice is hereby given that the Board of Review will meet in Room 105 of the Municipal Building on Monday and Tuesday, March 10th and 11th, from 9:00 A.M. to 12 M. and 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

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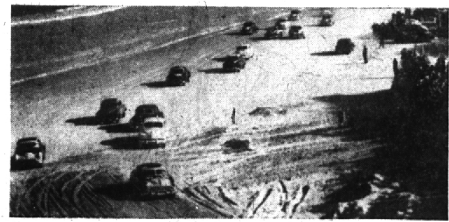
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